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SUBJ: CIVAIR - CONCORDE

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1. IT IS NOW EXPECTED THAT ISSUANCE OF BRITISH AIR-WORTHINESS TYPE CERTIFICATE TO CONCORDE, PREVIOUSLY PLANNED FOR OCTOBER, WILL NOW BE DELAYED UNTIL LATE NOVEMBER OR DECEMBER. THIS WILL PUSH TARGET DATE FOR COMMENCEMENT OF COMMERCIAL SERVICE BACK FROM JAN. 4 TO ABOUT MID-FEBRUARY AT EARLIEST.

2. CERTIFICATION DELAY IS ATTRIBUTED TO PROBLEM WITH AUTOMATIC FLIGHT CONTROL SYSTEM. BRITISH CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY LEARNED DURING CONCORDE'S ENDURANCE FLYING PROGRAM THAT UNDER CERTAIN WEATHER CONDITIONS NEAR EQUATOR AT ALTITUDES ABOVE 50,000 FEET AIRCRAFT OCCASIONALLY ENCOUNTERED AIR POCKETS WITH SHARP TEMPERATURE VARIATIONS AS MUCH AS 20-30 DEG.F. AUTOMATIC FLIGHT CONTROL SYSTEM HAS PROBLEM COPING WITH SUDDEN CHANGE AND PROCEDURES FOR PILOT OVERRIDE HAVE TO BE DEVELOPED. FURTHER TEST FLYING WILL BE REQUIRED OVER ROUTING
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BETWEEN BAHREIN AND SINGAPORE/KUALA LUMPUR.

2. UK CAA ANNOUNCED SEPT. 29 THAT OLYMPUS ENGINE WHICH POWERS CONCORDE HAS NOW BEEN CERTIFICATED.

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